The M-Hull

The Venice Challenge

Chuck Robinson

ACTV in Venice

Wave Damage



M-Hull Development

- Computer Design
- Model Testing
- 23-Foot Prototype



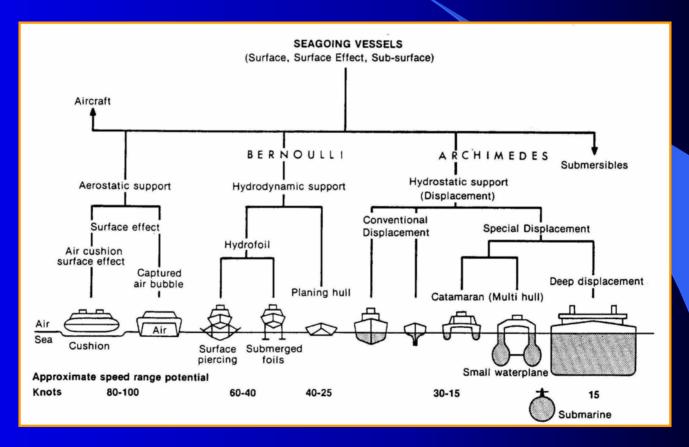
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Low Wash

- High Efficiency
- MARAD



Conventional Hull Forms

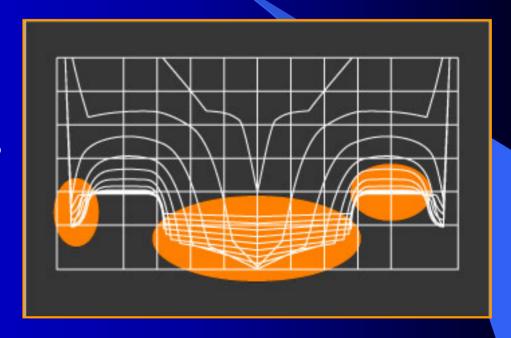


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Hull Geometry

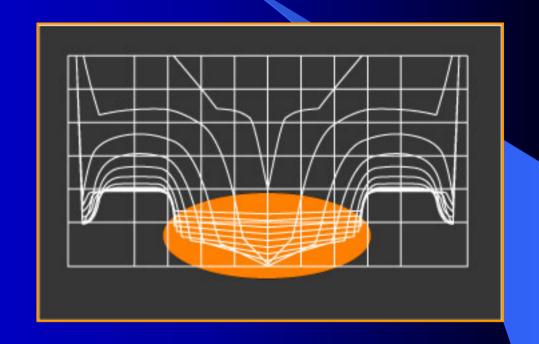
Central Hull

- Planing Tunnels
- The Skirts



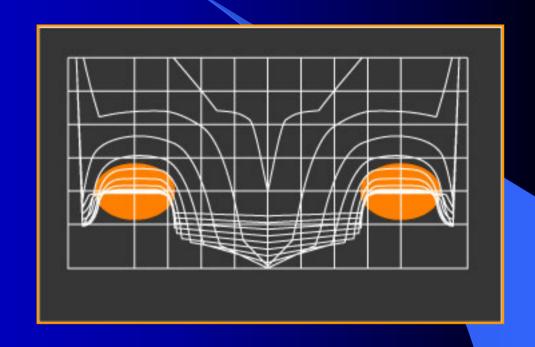
Central Displacement Hull

- Static Support
- Fine Entry
- Load Capacity



The Planing Tunnels

- Hydrodynamic Lift
- Aerodynamic Lift
- Aeration of Water
- Optimum Planing

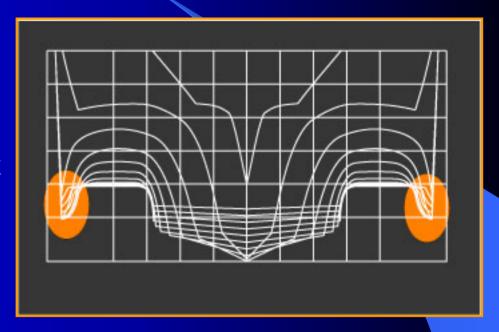


The Skirts

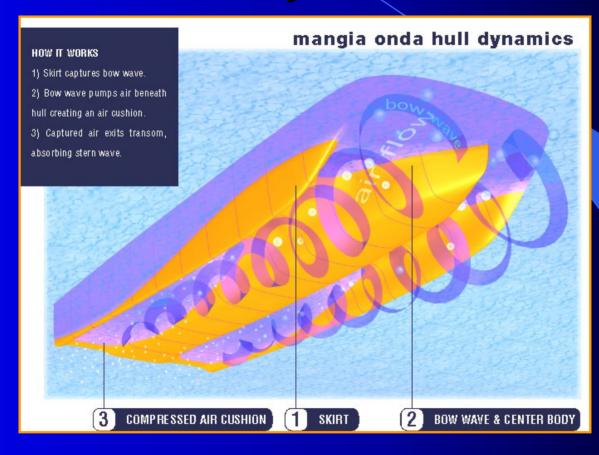
Contain Bow Wave

Create Surface Effect

Additional Stability



Hull Dynamics



In Action!!!



Current Status

Higher Speed Potential

Wake Measurements

Shock Mitigation

Load Sensitivity

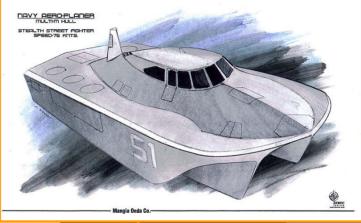


Patrol Boats



Military Vessels

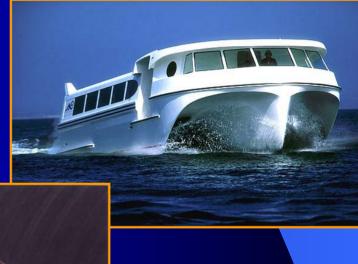






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